

***In the Specification:***

Please insert the sequence listing included herewith at the end of the application.

Please substitute the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 5 of the specification with the following paragraph:

The renin-angiotensin system (RAS) is the name given to the system of substrates and enzymes that gives rise to the active circulating hormone, angiotensin-II. Renin is a proteolytic enzyme secreted into the bloodstream by the juxtaglomerula cells of the kidney. It cleaves a substrate, angiotensinogen, which is a component of the  $\alpha_2$ -globulin fraction of the plasma proteins to yield a decapeptide called angiotensin-I. Two amino acids from the carboxyl terminus of this peptide are, in turn, cleaved by angiotensin converting enzyme (ACE) to produce the active octapeptide angiotensin II:

Asp-Arg-Val-Tyr-Ile-His-Pro-Phe (SEQ ID NO:1).

***In the Claims:***

Please substitute the following claim 3 for the pending claim 3:

3. (Twice amended) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein the angiotensin is angiotensin-II (SEQ ID NO:1).